



SUBSTANCE ABUSE EPIDEMIOLOGY WORKGROUP

April 18, 2019

1:00 p.m.

2nd Floor Conference Room of the State Capitol Executive Tower, 1700 West Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007

A general meeting of the Arizona Substance Abuse Partnership (ASAP) Substance Abuse Epidemiology Work Group (Epi Work Group) held on April 18, 2019, at the 2nd Floor Conference Room of the State Capitol Executive Tower, 1700 West Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007, notice having been duly given. Present and absent were the following members of the Substance Abuse Epidemiology Work Group:

Members Present (9)	
Deborah Jones, PhD., Chair, Administrative Office of the Courts, Juvenile Justice Division	
Jaimie Jeffords, PhD., Vice Chair, Arizona Criminal Justice Commission	
Peggy Glider, PhD., University of Arizona	
Sarah Lindstrom Johnson, PhD., T. Denny Sanford School of Social & Family Dynamics, Arizona State University, by phone	
James Riggs, Arizona Department of Corrections	
Jamie Ritchey, MPH, PhD., Inter Tribal Council/Tribal Epidemiology Center	
Robert Rhoton, PYSD., President at The Trauma Institute International	
Susan Smith, AZ Department of Child Safety, Cathy Hasenberg representing	
Wendy Wolfersteig, PhD., Southwest Interdisciplinary Research Center, Arizona State University	
Staff/Guests Present (6)	Members Absent (5)
Wendy Boyle, Arizona Criminal Justice Commission	Angela Aguayo, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System
Samuel Burba, Governor's Office of Youth, Faith, and Family	Douglas Kramer, Treatment Assessment Screening Center
Haron Siringi, Inter Tribal Council/Tribal Epidemiology Center	S. Robert Bailey, Arizona Department of Health Services
Marie Aguilar-Amaya, Southwest Interdisciplinary Research Center, Arizona State University	Alexandra O'Hannon, Governor's Office of Youth, Faith, & Family and the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System
Susan Almeda, Governor's Office of Youth, Faith, and Family	Courtney B. Whitley, Arizona National Guard
Livia Finman, Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family, Intern	

Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order by **Chairperson Deborah Jones** at 1:00 pm. A quorum was declared present.

Review of Packet and Agenda

- Chairperson Jones** asked participants to review meeting materials and agenda.

Approval of Minutes

- The group reviewed the minutes of the EPI meeting held on March 14, 2019. The group noted of a first name correction on the minutes. **Peggy Glider** entered a motion to approve the minutes with the revision. The motion seconded by **Jim Riggs** was unanimously approved by the EPI workgroup.

The updated EPI A-3 statewide profile developing definitions, questions, and meeting goal on complex trauma (CT), adverse childhood experience (ACE), substance abuse, populations at risk for CT, ACE and substance abuse.

- Vice Chairperson Jaimie Jeffords** reviewed the statewide data profile and the definitions of complex trauma, substance abuse and at risk. In the submission of interpretations by the EPI group, there were 12 meanings for complex trauma, nine explanations for substance abuse, and eight descriptions for at-risk. The methodology on the responses and results included for complex trauma - key concepts – multiple events, timing, development nature, interpersonal, and other. For the question, what is substance abuse, the responses included the classifications strategies of use, abuse, dependence and substance use disorder. For at-risk, there were a variety of reactions. **Vice Chairperson Jeffords** also provided a survey solicitation including questions to review. **Chairperson Jones** then discussed the definitions should be two-fold meaning the actual data profile

report should be a lengthy information type review and simple short explanations. First, the group talked about organizing the document by person, place, and time for multiple interpretations. The group also came up with a consensus approach for doing the overlap of looking at social determinants of health plus some of the ACE's and looking at the protective risk factors in framing with substance abuse across the state and pulling incarcerated data from a zip code area. Other discussions involved assessment of the relationship between trauma, substance abuse, and at-risk population, coming up with the best guess estimate of what the link might be looking at the differences across demographics. Also talked about how to request the data by searching employment statistics, substance abuse data, getting specific health-substance abuse determinants for ACE's to frame a discussion and connect the dots for concepts at the next meeting. Other topics included the indicators, looking at a timeframe from 1 to 5 years, geographically by county, assigning tasks to individuals for contributing pieces, such as literature reviews, investigation of own pieces of data to cover the indicators, specific resources, and protective factors.

EPI Member Agency Updates/Summaries of Current Events or Discussion of New Issue

- **Wendy Wolfersteig** shared that there will be an Arizona Evaluation Network Conference on Friday, April 26 in Phoenix.

2019 Meeting Schedule

- The next EPI meeting takes place on May 9, 2019.

Call to the Public

- **Chairperson Jones** made a call to the public.

Adjourn

- The meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Dated April 18, 2019 Substance Abuse Epidemiology Work Group
Respectfully Submitted By:
Arizona Criminal Justice Commission
On behalf of the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith, and Family